

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**  
**Continuation/Division Filed Under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b)**

Duplicate (for fee transmittal)

Attorney Docket No.  
Inventor(s):

37,234-01

Gary P. Hagen, George A. Huff Jr.,  
William A. Gong, Monica R.  
Regalbuto

Express Mail Label No.  
Total Pages

73

EL 999643966US

Commissioner for Patents  
BOX Patent Application  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir: This is a request for filing a  continuation  divisional application, under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b),  
of pending prior Application No. 09/ 779,286 filed on February 8, 2001,

entitled **PROCESS FOR OXYGENATION OF COMPONENTS FOR REFINERY BLENDING OF  
TRANSPORTATION FUELS**

031283 U.S. PTO  
10/712949



111303

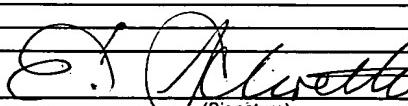
1.  Enclosed is a copy of the prior application, including the oath or declaration, as originally filed. The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied herewith, is considered as being a part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
2.  A preliminary amendment is enclosed.
3.  Amend this application to cancel original claims 2 through 20 of the application before calculating the filing fee (MPEP 607). (At least one original independent claim is retained.)
4.  Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:  
This is a  continuation,  division of Application No. 09/ 779,286,  
filed February 8, 2003.
5. This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior application, 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2):
  - a.  DELETE the following inventor(s) named in the prior non-provisional application:
  - b.  The inventor(s) to be deleted are set forth on a separate sheet attached hereto.
6.  A new power of attorney is enclosed.
7.  Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) is enclosed.
8.  An Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) is enclosed: a.  PTO-1449 b.  Copies of IDS citations

The filing fee is calculated below on the basis of the claims existing in the prior application as amended in 2 and 3 above.

Claims As Filed in the Prior Application Less any Claims Canceled By Amendment				
(1) For:	(2) No. Filed	(3) No. Extra	(4) Rate	(5) Calculations
Total Claims	20 - 20	0	\$18 =	\$
Independent Claims	1 - 3 =	0	\$86 =	\$
			Basic Fee	\$770.00
			Total Filing Fee >	\$770.00

9.  The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 01-0528. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
10.  By Credit Card
11.  Other: Credit Card Form PTO 2038
12.  New correspondence address: \_\_\_\_\_

13. Signature of attorney or agent:

  
(Signature)

Ekkehard Schoettle  
(Name)

Registration No.: 31,420

11/13/03  
(Date)  
(630) 821-2436

Correspondence Address:  
**BP America Inc.**  
Docket Clerk, BP Legal, M.C. 5East  
4101 Winfield Road  
Warrenville, Illinois 60555